

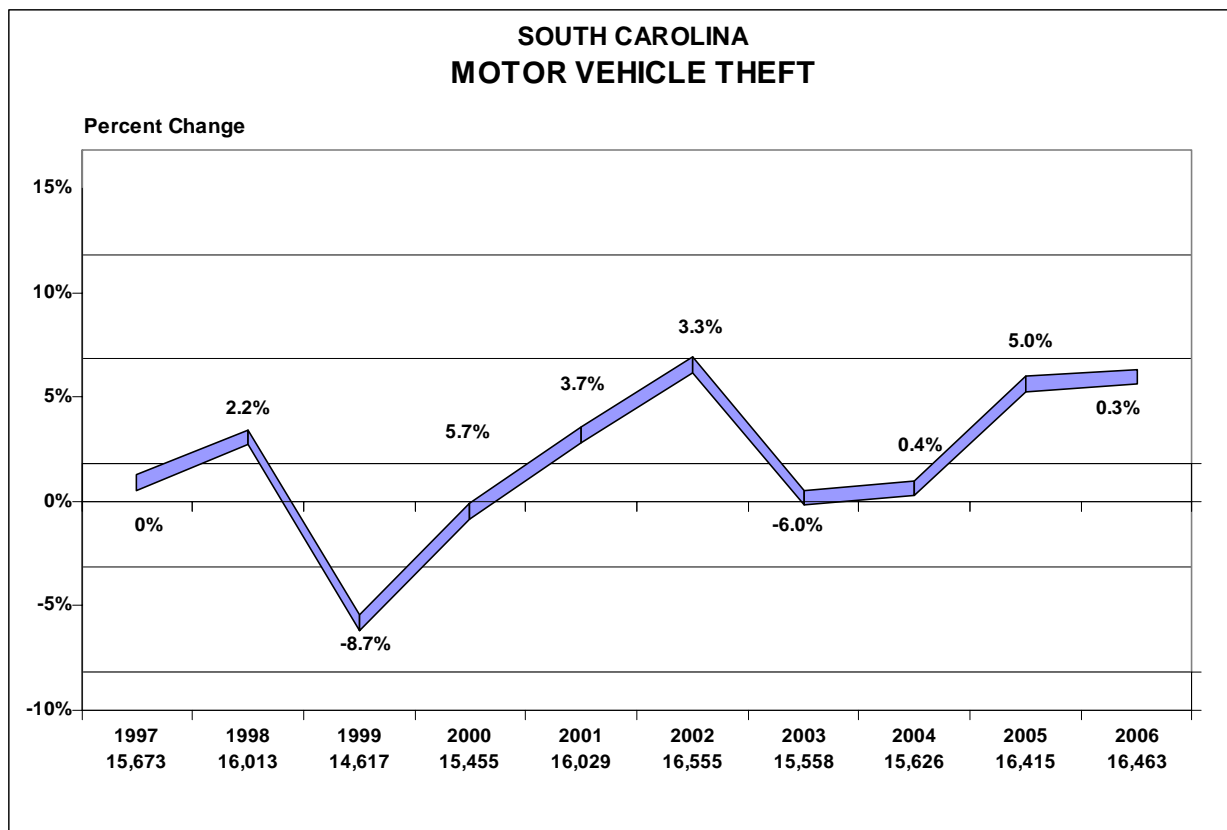
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT

DEFINITION

Motor Vehicle theft, for UCR purposes, is defined as the theft of a self-propelled vehicle that runs on the surface of the land but not on rails. Motor vehicles include automobiles, trucks, motorcycles, and the like. One offense is counted for each vehicle stolen. This category does not include boats, farm equipment, tractors, bulldozers, etc. Motor vehicle theft does not include using a vehicle without the owner's consent if prior consent or lawful access has been granted. Obtaining vehicles through fraud or failure to return rented vehicles are not included in this category. Attempts to steal motor vehicles as well as "joyrides" are counted as motor vehicle thefts.

ROUNDING

Percentages shown in the tables and charts may not add to 100% due to rounding. Rates per 10,000 population and percent changes also have been rounded.



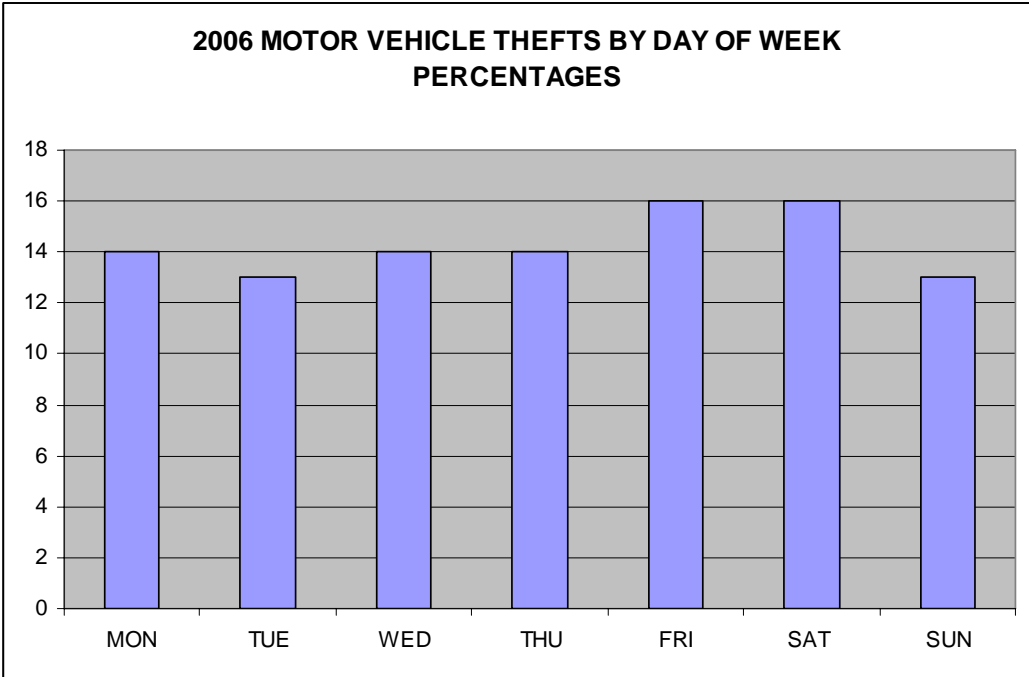
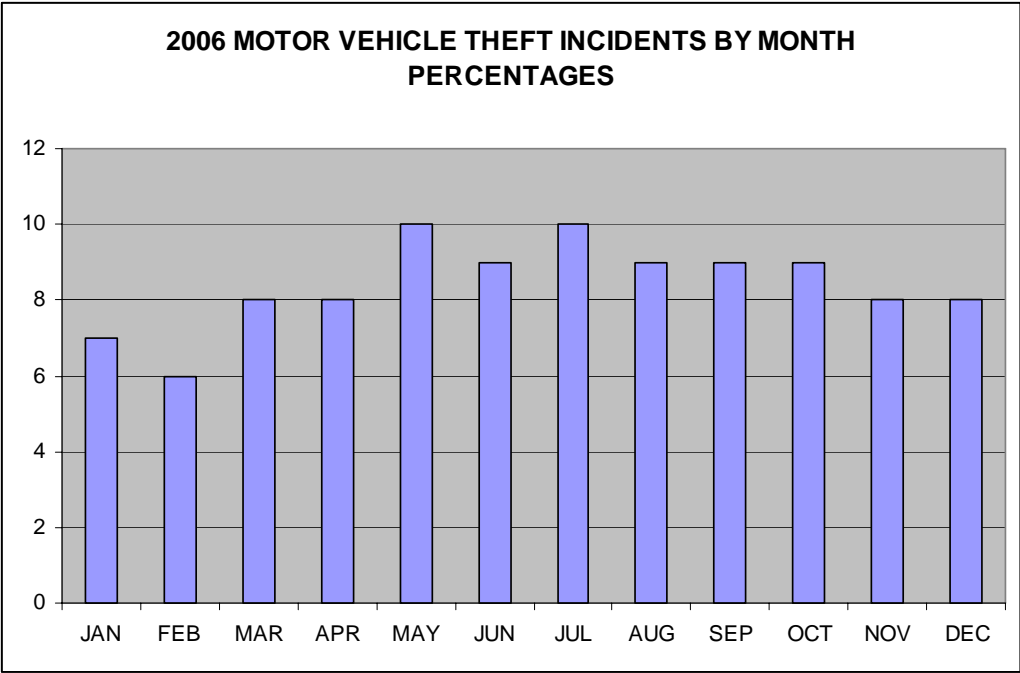
2006 SUMMARY

A total of 16,463 motor vehicle thefts was reported in the 2006 crime index. During this year, motor vehicle thefts increased 0.3 percent compared to those reported in 2005.

There were 1,410 motor vehicle thefts cleared by arrest or exceptionally cleared, amounting to a clearance rate of 15.0 percent statewide.

The motor vehicle theft rate in South Carolina was 38.10 per 10,000 persons.

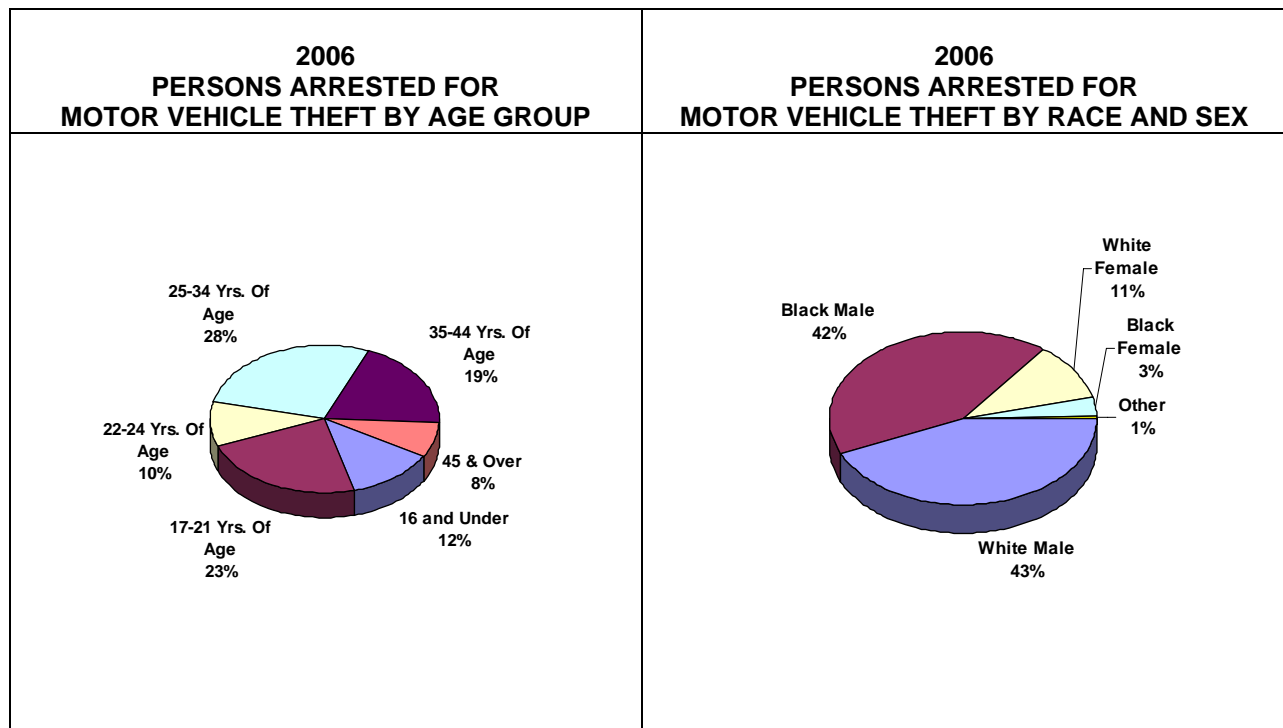
Of all persons arrested for motor vehicle theft, 73 percent were 34 years of age or younger. With respect to race, 54.0 percent were white, 45.0 percent were black, and 1.0 percent were other races.



**2006 PERSONS ARRESTED FOR MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT
BY AGE, SEX, RACE**

Age Group	Total	White Male	Black Male	Other Male	White Female	Black Female	Other Female
01 – 09	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10 – 16	176	71	88	0	9	8	0
17 – 21	325	128	153	1	30	13	0
22 – 24	140	62	61	4	8	5	0
25 – 34	388	192	121	4	60	11	0
35 – 44	274	109	120	0	36	9	0
45 – 54	85	34	41	0	9	1	0
55 – 64	16	11	5	0	0	0	0
65 – 99	6	4	2	0	0	0	0
State Total	1,410	611	591	9	152	47	0

NOTE: The arrest counts shown here have not been subjected to the “hierarchy rule” (explained elsewhere); therefore, all persons arrested that are linked to this offense type are counted.



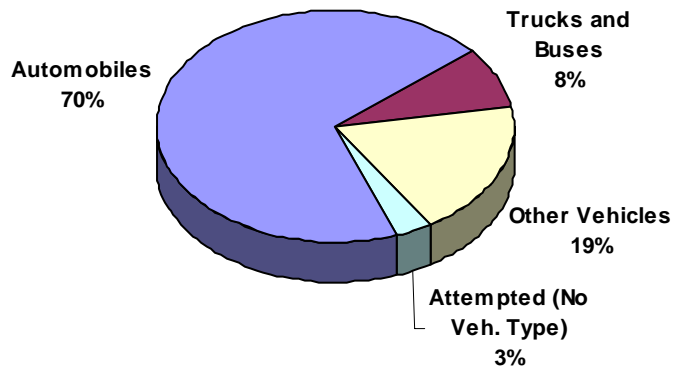
Forty-three percent of persons arrested for motor vehicle theft in 2006 were white males; 42 percent were black males. White females accounted for 11 percent of persons arrested for motor vehicle theft, and black females accounted for 3 percent.

2004-2006 MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT TRENDS

Type Vehicle	2004	% Distr.	2005	% Distr.	2006	% Distr.
Automobiles	10,695	68.4	11,322	70.0	11,560	70.1
Trucks and Buses	1,242	7.9	1,311	8.1	1,400	8.5
Other Vehicles	3,066	19.6	3,019	18.7	3,029	18.4
Attempted (No vehicle type)	626	4.0	524	3.2	504	3.1
State Total	15,629	100.0	16,176	100.0	16,493	100.0

NOTE: The vehicle counts in this table have been taken from a report which selects only the most serious offense in an incident (hierarchy rule).

2004-2006 MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT BY TYPE VEHICLE



2004-2006 MOTOR VEHICLE THEFTS BY PREMISE

Premise	2004 Incidents	% Distr.	2005 Incidents	% Distr.	2006 Incidents	% Distr.
Air/Bus/Train Terminal	25	0.2	32	0.2	21	0.1
Bank/Savings and Loan	18	0.1	18	0.1	13	0.1
Bar/Nightclub	185	1.1	196	1.1	197	1.1
Church/Synagogue	58	0.4	74	0.4	49	0.3
Commercial/ Office Building	1,116	6.9	1,120	6.6	991	5.8
Construction Site	63	0.4	81	0.5	62	0.4
Convenience Store	371	2.3	299	1.8	328	1.9
Department/Discount Store	109	0.7	113	0.7	104	0.6
Drugstore/Doctor/Hospital	51	0.3	67	0.4	72	0.4
Field/Woods	113	0.7	185	1.1	189	1.1
Government/Public Building	72	0.4	69	0.4	57	0.3
Grocery/Supermarket	92	0.6	91	0.5	83	0.5
Highway/Road	1,073	6.6	1,180	6.9	1,226	7.1
Hotel/Motel	239	1.5	339	2.0	374	2.2
Jail/Prison	2	0.0	2	0.0	0	0.0
Lake/Waterway	20	0.1	15	0.1	19	0.1
Liquor Store	6	0.0	5	0.0	8	0.0
Parking Lot/Garage	2,434	15.1	2,140	12.5	2,633	15.3
Rental Storage Facility	29	0.2	43	0.3	37	0.2
Residence/Home	7,598	47.1	8,536	50.0	8,398	48.8
Restaurant	130	0.8	121	0.7	122	0.7
School K-12	46	0.3	61	0.4	36	0.2
Service/Gas Station	255	1.6	229	1.3	227	1.3
Specialty Store	353	2.2	354	2.1	307	1.8
Other/Unknown	690	4.3	695	4.1	712	4.1
Colleges	65	0.4	64	0.4	52	0.3
Shopping Mall	76	0.5	63	0.4	50	0.3
Apartment/Condo	854	5.3	877	5.1	856	5.0
Highway Rest Areas	1	0.0	2	0.0	3	0.0
Court/Courthouse	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
State Total	16,144	100.0	17,071	100.0	17,226	100.0

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**2004-2006
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT BY PREMISE**

